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Good afternoon. As we discussed in late September, attached is a copy of La Plata County's draft workplan for its cooperative agreement with the EPA. We submitted this draft to the EPA today as a "soft" submittal as they suggested to us in August. As many of you are aware, we are fighting a 90 day deadline (November 3) from the date of the event to recover pre-award costs. La Plata County submitted a formal request to the EPA for a deviation from the deadline September 16 and renewed that request on October 12. It is my understanding that EPA has sent a request for a class deviation (which would include all of us and others) to Washington DC. The deviation would give us until February 5 to enter into cooperative agreements with the EPA. Formal submittal of each entity's workplan and budget would be due the second week of January.

In the meantime, the EPA has been unwilling to commit to the deviation in writing. As such, today Joe Kerby and I worked with staffers for Congressman Tipton and Senator Bennett and it is my understanding that the delegation will be send a letter regarding the deviation to the EPA

today or tomorrow. Hopefully, the deviation will be approved and the November 3 deadline will no longer be material.

We look forward to reviewing the workplans of all entities. As always, if you have questions or concerns, please let me know.

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